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GSP

REFS: (A) ADDIS ABABA 14684; (B) STATE 290277;
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1. INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE CONSIDERING CONTINUED ELIGIBILITY
OF "GRAY-AREA" COUNTRIES FOR GSP HAS DECIDED, BASED UPON
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REPORTED DEVELOPMENTS SINCE TRANSMISSION OF REF C IN

EARLY NOVEMBER, THAT ETHIOPIA IS REPEAT IS PRESENTLY TAKING STEPS TO DISCHARGE ITS OBLIGATIONS TO U.S. PROPERTY OWNERS UNDER INTERNATIONAL LAW AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 502(B)(4) (D)(II) OF THE TRADE ACT.

2. FOREGOING DECISION MEANS THAT A RECOMMENDATION TO DENY GSP ELIGIBILITY TO ETHIOPIA ON GROUNDS OF EXPROPRIATION WILL NOT REPEAT NOT BE MADE AT THIS TIME. SINCE WE DO, HOWEVER, REVIEW ALL OUTSTANDING CASES OF EXPROPRIATION OF AMERICAN PROPERTY ABROAD ON A CONTINUING BASIS, IT IS IMPORTANT FOR THE EPMG TO MAINTAIN MOMENTUM TOWARD SETTLEMENT BY TAKING FURTHER CONCRETE ACTION SOON IN ORDER TO

AVOID POSSIBLE FUTURE TERMINATION OF GSP ELIGIBILITY, AS WELL AS POSSIBLE APPLICATION OF HICKENLOOPER AND GONZALEZ AMENDMENTS.

3. WE APPRECIATE EMBASSY EFFORTS IN CONVEYING POINTS MADE REFS B AND C TO APPROPRIATE EPMG OFFICIALS, AND ITS TIMELY REPORTING OF DEVELOPMENTS BEARING UPON OUR DECISION. KISSINGER

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